

Amendments to the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 6, and 15 as provided below.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A conjugate comprising:
 - (a) a first region comprising the homeodomain of antennapedia; and
 - (b) a second region at the C-terminus of the first region and not naturally associated with the first region;
wherein the second region comprises a protein of at least 100 amino acids, and
wherein at least the first region is non-denatured.
2. (Withdrawn) The conjugate according to claim 1, wherein the first and second regions are associated via a disulfide bond.
3. (Withdrawn) The conjugate according to claim 2, wherein the second region comprises an NOI.
4. (Original) The conjugate according to claim 1, in the form of a fusion protein.
5. (Canceled)
6. (Currently Amended) The conjugate according to claim [[5]] 1, wherein the second region is a functional or regulatory protein.
7. (Withdrawn) The conjugate according to claim 5, wherein the second region is an antigen.
8. (Withdrawn) The conjugate according to claim 5, wherein the second region is a DNA binding domain.

9. (Withdrawn) The conjugate according to claim 8, wherein the second region further comprises an NOI.
10. (Withdrawn) The conjugate according to claim 8, wherein the second region is a histone protein.
11. (Withdrawn) The conjugate according to claim 1, wherein the second region comprises an NOI.
12. (Withdrawn) The conjugate according to claim 1, for use in an expression system.
13. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the conjugate of claim 1, in combination with a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.
14. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 13, in the form of a vaccine.
15. (Currently Amended) A conjugate prepared by a method comprising the steps:
 - (i) culturing a host cell transformed with an expression vector comprising a nucleic acid encoding a conjugate according to claim [[1]] 4 under conditions which provide for the expression of the conjugate within the host cell; and
 - (ii) recovering the conjugate by affinity purification under non-denaturing conditions.
16. (Original) The conjugate prepared according to claim 15, wherein the conjugate comprises an amino acid tail that binds to an immobilised substrate.